

EXHIBIT 5

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1 floor joists.

2 Q Do you know if any of these floor joists
3 are broken underneath this living room?

4 A Based on the -- on the elevation
5 information contained in the Rimkus report, I think
6 there's high probability that some of them are
7 broken due to rot. That's basically what I said.

8 Q And in order to repair those broken floor
9 joists, if you were going to repair this room, you
10 would have to actually replace those floor joists;
11 right?

12 A Typically, you would not. Typically, you
13 would go in and what we would call sistering them,
14 depending upon the extent of the rot. It depends
15 upon some of the details, but effectively you would
16 go in and remove enough flooring that you could get
17 a joist that was long enough to sistering is
18 effective. Just placing a new competent joist next
19 to the damaged joist. There's lots of details that
20 have to be worked out and whether you extend that
21 new sister joist the full length or whether it was
22 just a partial length and how you attach it.
23 There's many details associated with that. But
24 effectively sistering them if they're broken due to
25 rot.